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Applicant(s) wish to disclose the following information.

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The applicant(s) wish to make of record the references listed on the attached form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed
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## STATEMENT OF RELEVANCY

Reference AO (JP 2002-237055) on Form PTO-1449:

This publication discloses a wobble formation method intended to improve an SNR (signal-to-noise ratio), which is used as a measure of the quality of wobble signals. The present invention proposes a measure of the reliability of address detection, and the measure provided by the present invention takes into account modulated signal components that cannot be evaluated based on the wobble SNR of the reference.

Reference AW on Form PTO-1449 is discussed in the specification.

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